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██████████ attended meeting at the Bureau of the Budget to consider the recommendation of the Department of State for the creation of an Economic Defense Strategy Board under the chairmanship of the Department of State (NSC 104/II-B). Representatives were present from State, ECA, Defense, Agriculture, Treasury, Commerce, Bureau of the Budget, and GSA. The discussion developed the following possible alternative methods: (1) an Economic Defense Strategy Board under the chairmanship of the Department of State; (2) a subcommittee of I.S.A.C.; (3) the East-West Trade Committee, or a similar board or committee reporting to the NSC; (4) a committee under the Foreign Supplies and Requirements Committee; (5) a coordinating administrator with an advisory board similar to ODM. The meeting adjourned without reaching any conclusion. Written suggestions or extensions of remarks were invited from all agencies. Those in attendance included: Victor A. Gaither, ECA; Donald C. Stone, ECA; Oscar Zaglitz, Agriculture (OFR); Raymond A. Ioanes, Agriculture (PMA); Arthur M. Cox, ECA; G. S. Costenzo, Treasury; W. J. Fields, Treasury; Oscar A. Nielson, Commerce; Loring K. Macy, Commerce; C. K. Moffatt, Defense; R. S. Moore, Budget Bureau; H. Seedman, Budget Bureau; R. Burton, Budget Bureau; R. Sternfeld, Budget Bureau; R. N. Johnson, WAH Office; Max Medley, GSA; William C. Cleary, GSA; Charles H. Mace, State; R. Vernon, State; Matthew J. Kust, State. (2 hours)

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At Mr. Millikan's request, [REDACTED] attended meeting called by Mr. Sternfeldt of the Bureau of the Budget to consider a staff paper on Economic Defense Program Coordination in connection with the recommendations as to organization for economic defense in NSC 104/II-B. A preliminary background paper was distributed. The Defense representative called attention to the fact that the JCS recommendations regarding organization for Economic Defense (Economic Warfare) had not been considered. The Chairman was not aware of this recommendation but agreed to include it in discussions at the next meeting.

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